



Sunday, March 5, 2023

SOUTH  **PARK**
CHURCH

Walk with God • Connect as Family • Love People in Jesus' Name

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us!
We'd love to get to know you and help you get connected to our community.

If this is your first time with us, if you are looking to take your next step of connection, or you are simply wanting to find out more about South Park Church, we invite you to fill out an online connect card and a staff member will be in touch!

www.southparkchurch.org/connect

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The banner features the text "Info Hub" in a light green and white font, with a white cross icon to the right. Below this is the URL "www.southparkchurch.org/info". At the bottom left are the Instagram and Facebook logos with the handle "@southparkchurch". At the bottom right is a blue button with a white arrow and the text "Learn more".

We've made it easy for you to find info about what's happening at South Park Church! Visit the info hub!

www.southparkchurch.org/info



Thrive Women's Ministry

Winter Gathering: Breakfast

Saturday, March 11th | 10:00 AM - NOON

Join us in the Cafe for a time of fellowship. Bring a food item to share or just come as you are. Childcare will be available.

Join us for a time of fellowship at the Winter Gathering: Breakfast in the Cafe. Bring a food item to share or just come as you are. Childcare will be available. Registration now open! Visit www.southparkchurch.org/info.



BASE  CAMP

MARCH 11, 2023

5 - 8 PM

MPR

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FAMILY
GAME
Night

4th & 5th graders, you're invited to BaseCamp Family Game Night on March 11th, 2023 from 5pm-8pm in the MPR! Bring your friends and families, and join us for an evening of laughter, games, food, and connection. Dinner will be served at the event. Contact John Schimka at 847-372-5074 for more info!



A graphic for Family Ministry Annual Leader Training. It features a teal background with a green vertical bar on the left. The green bar contains three white icons: a hand, a lunch tray, and a plate with a heart. The teal background has the South Park Church logo at the top, followed by the text 'FAMILY MINISTRY ANNUAL LEADER TRAINING' in large, bold, black letters. Below this, a dark teal rounded rectangle contains the text '11:30 AM MARCH 12, 2023' in white.

Family Ministry Leaders, please join us for our Annual Leader Training. We will provide lunch during the training so please register at www.southparkchurch.org/info.



A graphic for Nominations for Trustees. It features a dark blue background with a light green diagonal shape on the right. The text 'NOMINATIONS FOR TRUSTEES' is in large, bold, white letters. Below it, 'Vice Chair | Treasurer' is in white. The text 'Qualifications & nominating form can be found on our website at' is in white, followed by the URL 'www.southparkchurch.org/nominations' in green. The South Park Church logo is at the bottom. A QR code is on the right side.

The nominators are accepting nominations for Vice Chair and Treasurer. These terms would begin in September 2023. Scan the QR code or visit the info hub at www.southparkchurch.org/info for more info!

TAKE **ONE** STEP



OUTREACH CONFERENCE
MARCH 19 - 26

WWW.SOUTHPARKCHURCH.ORG/CONFERENCE

*Many ministries will have outreach partners visiting!
Communication about those events will come from ministry leaders
and can be found at www.southparkchurch.org/conference.*

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Outreach Partner Panel

10 - 11 am

Join us as we worship together then hear from outreach partners as Pastor Bucky leads discussion.

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Connect with Our Partners

11:15 am

Connect with Outreach Partners through round table discussions in Fellowship Hall.

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Journey of a Refugee

6 - 7 pm

This interactive experience will take you & your family through the steps a refugee takes to their new home country.

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Sharing God's Love with the Displaced

7 - 8 pm

Join us on zoom as Guillermo Mejia shares the role of the church in caring for those who have been forced to leave their homes.

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Guest Bishop Pecher & Local Outreach Fair

10 am - 12 pm

Worship with us then meet local outreach partners after service in the lobby and cafe.

Small Groups - Connect with an Outreach Partner

Pray with them, learn from them about their ministries, & encourage them through regular contact. Email chilficker@gmail.com to learn more!



It's still winter outside but we're already planning for summer! VBS planning is underway...join the volunteer team! [Click here to fill out the volunteer form.](http://www.southparkchurch.org/info)



Save the Date! High School South Park Church students are invited to serve this summer again at Camp Barnabas, a summer camp that provides an amazing camp experience and encounters with God for disabled individuals and their families. Registration now open!

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

These prayer requests represent just one way in which we pray as a church body and just some of the people we are lifting in prayer. For additional opportunities to pray, share, and celebrate answered prayer, please attend Sunday Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9am in Fellowship Hall and over Zoom (email info@southparkchurch.org for the Zoom link). And please email kristin@southparkchurch.org if you have a prayer request you'd like shared with the confidential Prayer Chain.

Please pray for Nick Powell who is hospitalized with atrial fibrillation. Praise God, his heart has returned to normal rhythm. Please pray that Nick will increase in strength and endurance in the next weeks as he prepares for an ablation. Pray for Nick and Erin to be filled with God's peace and closeness as they walk through this.

Please continue to pray for Doug Volden to gain in strength and increased movement each day and that full healing will be achieved in God's perfect timing. Pray that God will fill Doug and Vicki with great encouragement and that His presence will be real to them.

Please pray for our Outreach Partners in Ukraine as they continue to faithfully serve the people of Ukraine by feeding several hundred each month, leading a village bible study, delivering firewood and other supplies to poor villages, and many other tasks. Please pray for their safety and endurance, for wisdom as they seek God's will daily for their next steps, and for peace in Ukraine.

Please pray for those suffering around our country and world due to natural disasters, gun violence, all forms of violence, injustice and so many other struggles. Pray that Christ would be made known in the midst of heartbreak and that suffering would cease through the powerful name of Jesus and the spirit-led actions of believers.

Continue to pray for: the Genson family, Catherine Hankins, Greg Van Calbergh, Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky

SERMON NOTES

1. Sharing our Testimonies

- a. Gives hope
- b. Makes the Gospel “real”
- c. Can’t be argued with

2. Bernie’s Story

3. Anger

- a. As a secondary emotion
- b. Can keep us separated from God

4. Transformation

- a. Takes time
- b. What matters is not where we are, but the direction we’re headed in

DIGGING DEEPER

1. When was the last time you shared, with someone outside the church, what God was doing in your life...shared your God story or your faith struggles? Are there people you've been praying for that opportunity with?
2. In what ways did you identify with Bernie's story?
3. Have you ever found yourself angry at God? If so, what was that about...what were the primary emotions underneath the surface? If not, how does the idea of being angry at God make you feel?
4. What next area of your life do you feel the Holy Spirit leading you to surrender?